

**KINGSTON BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 12, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was called to order at 3:05 p.m. on February 12, 2014 in the Department's offices at Jansen Avenue. Present were President Joseph DeCicco, Commissioners Al Radel, Ray McSpirit, Bob Niedzielski and Dennis Croswell. Also in attendance were Superintendent Hansen, Assistant Secretary Allan Alberts, Attorney William Cloonan, Council Liaison Brian Seche, and James Caggiano. Mike Moriello of Hudson River Landing was present to address the Board.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved on a motion made by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Bills in the amount of \$78,353.34 dated 1/15/14; \$32,235.27 dated 1/22/14; \$33,580.68 dated 1/29/14; \$20,278.54 dated 1/31/14; \$37,531.51 dated 2/5/14; \$174,775.87 dated 2/12/14; and \$5,900.02 dated 2/13/14 were ordered paid as audited on a motion by Commissioner McSpirit and seconded by Commissioner Radel. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mike Moriello of Hudson River Landing addressed the Board regarding the AVR Developer's Agreement. The following reference to SEQRA Short EAF, Part 1 and draft SEQRA Short EAF, Part 2 was read aloud:

"NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, based upon the April 13, 2009 SEQR Findings, the consideration of the Developer Agreement recitals and the Record had herein, the City of Kingston Water Board hereby concurs with the SEQR Findings aforesaid for the Hudson Landing Project and further finds the Developer Agreement to be consistent therewith."

This resolution was approved on a motion by Commissioner Radel and seconded by Commissioner McSpirit. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion to approve the AVR Developer's Agreement was made by Commissioner Radel and seconded by Commissioner Croswell. Motion carried by unanimous vote. A motion authorizing the Superintendent to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Water Board was made by Commissioner McSpirit and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board discussed the Florence Street Water Tank Painting Project. The Board was informed that a General Property Tax Bill had been received from the City for the Cell Towers on the Florence Street Water Tank in the amount of \$11,800.03, half of which is due by Feb.14, 2014. A motion was made by Commissioner Niedzielski and seconded by Commissioner Radel to pay the first half by the due date. Motion carried by unanimous vote. The Board was informed by Attorney Cloonan that a partial refund was expected from the School Taxes paid in 2013 for these Cell Towers. A motion was made by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski to apportion the refund between KWD and Webjogger. Motion carried by unanimous vote. It was announced that the contracts for the repainting project had been executed. The Board discussed request of AT&T to install a new generator and building at the site. The Board stated its preference that the generator be powered by natural gas. It will also be necessary to obtain approval from the City Planning Board. James Caggiano will contact AT&T about the Board's preference for natural gas. Superintendent Hansen will check with the Planning Board.

The Board discussed the CSX Crossing Main Replacement Project. Brinnier & Larios will be contacted about plans to reroute replacement mains.

The Board discussed the Cooper Lake Dam Project. Some discussion was had on the QBS reviews

The Board discussed the Phase 1B Filter Renovation Project. A motion was made by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner Radel to approve a \$15,000 addition to the original \$94,600 proposal from CDM Smith for Engineering Services. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board discussed the Filter Plant Backwash Tank Replacement. A proposal from CDM Smith for Engineering Services pertinent to the project was received not to exceed the amount of \$163,930. A motion was made by Commissioner McSpirit and seconded by Commissioner Croswell to approve the proposal but to proceed on a restricted schedule.

The Board was informed of price quotes being requested from Webjogger and NEC for a Phone System for the Jansen Avenue facility. This item is included in the 2014 Budget.

A motion to move into Executive Session was made by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski at 5:28 pm. A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Commissioner Niedzielski and seconded by Commissioner Radel at 6:03 pm. Motions carried by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski to hire Ron Perry for the position of Filter Plant Trainee with a start date on or after March 3, 2014. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Niedzielski and seconded by Commissioner Croswell to hire Zachary Hart for the position of Laborer with a start date on or after March 3, 2014. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board discussed scheduling a meeting of the Personnel Committee to be followed by discussion of the QBS reviews.

The January Superintendent's Report was read and ordered filed on a motion by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Niedzielski and seconded by Commissioner McSpirit at 6:08 pm. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Assistant Secretary

